

WEST VIRGINIA TROOPS OUT

EIGHT COMPANIES GO TO NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

Ordered Out by Gov. White to Keep Peace
—Many Shots Fired and Two Men Re-
ported Killed—Sheriff of Fayette
County Unable to Maintain Order

WHEELING, W. Va., Aug. 28—A report that strikers had fired on miners at Grapetown Creek, near Bluefield, was received here late this afternoon. It said that there had been a pitched battle between the strikers and the mine guards and that two men had been killed and two wounded. The place where the fight is reported to have occurred is not reached by wire.

The entire Second Regiment of the National Guard, under the command of Col. C. E. Morrison of Parkersburg, is now en route to the scene of the disorder, having arrived there this afternoon.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Aug. 28—Eight companies and the Signal Corps of the West Virginia National Guard are en route to Thurmond, in the New River gorge to-night. They were sent there to-day by Gov. White to quell the Virginia insurrection. They were sent upon the request of Daniel of Fayette county, who said he had exhausted every resource at his com-

The immediate cause of ordering out the troops was the firing on the guards and workmen employed at the Red Ash mines yesterday morning. A number of shots were fired by persons ambushed on the opposite side of the river and the return was made by the guards. Blood hounds were taken to the spot and set upon the tracks of the shooters, but soon found so many cross trails that they lost their scent.

Two houses belonging to the Chapman Mining Company, near Red Ash, were set on fire Tuesday night and destroyed, and other property was being destroyed in numerous places. These things were presented to Gov. White, along with the formal demand for troops, and about the middle of this morning he acceded to the demand and ordered out eight companies.

of the Second Regiment, as follows: Company B of Roncovevte, Capt. George; Company E of Parkersburg, Capt. Cramer; Company F of Milton, Capt. Perry; Company G of Huntington, Capt. Davis; Company H of Huntington, Capt. Davis; Company I of Huntington, Capt. Davis; Company L of Parkersburg, Capt. Kingsbury; Company M of Charleston, Capt. Rans. The Signal Corps, Charleston, Capt. Peyton.

The troops are under command of Col. Morrison of Parkersburg, Col. Hutson, Assistant Adjutant-General, is also on the ground, as is Gen. Boggs, the Governor's Staff. Adjutant-General Baker will arrive there to-morrow.

It is understood that the following statement to THE SUN correspondent was made:

"I ordered the troops sent because the Sheriff of Fayette county made a formal demand for them."

"I have instructed my private secretary, who accompanies the troops to the New River Coal Fields, explicitly to state to all concerned that the militia is sent only to suppress lawlessness, to protect the lives and property, and not for the purpose of breaking the strike or to act in any sense as a strike breaker."

THURMONT, W. Va., Aug. 28.—The shooting by striking miners from ambush, alleged on non-union men and guards employed by Red Ash, Rush Run, Fish Creek and Beury was incessant most of yesterday, but fortunately there were no fatalities. The guards returned to find it is estimated that 500 to 800 shots were exchanged.

The strikers are enraged over the arrival of troops and an outbreak may occur to-morrow.

TO KILL CARLOAD OF TROOPS

Rails, Greased in Attempt to Hurt Soldiers
Down Mountain Sides.

TAMQUITA, Pa., Aug. 28.—All last night and the greater part of to-day a reign of lawlessness such as has never been witnessed before in this part of the region prevailed in the Panther Creek Valley.

citizens whose sympathy is not with the strikers were threatened and a deliberate attempt made to hurl two carloads of troops down the deep mine broaches which cross the trolley road on the mountain between Lansford and Summit Hill.

At 11 o'clock last night two companies of the Twelfth Regiment were sent to Summit Hill to intercept a reported march on the No. 4 colliery of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company which has been working uninterruptedly for the past week.

When the strikers heard of the coming of the soldiers the heart of the community of Funchess gave everything quiet in the lower part of the town.

Major Goerth, who was in command, ordered the troops taken back to Manly Park. As the cars were about to start for the descent of the mountain side, the man on the head car made the discovery that the tracks had been grazed. An

A quantity of oil and soap on the rails a distance of about 500 yards. Had a motorman on the first car not taken precautions, the fire might have been a disaster. Instruction might have been placed on the track, there is no question that the cars would have gotten beyond control and the oil, or, if not, the soap, some of the cars would have been buried to death.

This morning the non-union men were escorted to the colleries by the troops and the same plan was followed. When they returned home this evening, despite this precaution a half dozen women were shamefully beaten.

While a trolley car carrying soldiers was passing the Lansford colliery today, strikers stoned the soldiers, and Capt. Beverly Gerhart of Company F, Twelfth Regiment, was slightly injured by a bullet striking the leg with a bone.

Several business men of Lansford called on the commanding officer at Manila Park

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